

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1189

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Firefighter Shane Michael Daughetee of the Highway 58 Volunteer Fire Department.

WHEREAS, our nation was conceived by individuals who were willing to sacrifice their personal safety and concerns to ensure our individual and collective well-being, and the Volunteer State is especially proud to be the home of so many valiant men and women who have performed above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, thousands of Tennesseans continue this time-honored tradition of volunteerism through service as firefighters; and

WHEREAS, these individuals daily face the rigors of corporal imperilment in protecting those whom they so selflessly serve; and

WHEREAS, Firefighter Shane Michael Daughetee of Harriman was one such outstanding public servant, and the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of his tragic and untimely death in the line of duty on January 26, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Daughetee served astutely with the Highway 58 Volunteer Fire Department for eight years; having earned the respect and admiration of his fellow firefighters and the adoration of a grateful public for his unsurpassed dedication and professionalism, he was named "Firefighter of the Year" in the month preceding his death; and

WHEREAS, through Shane Daughetee and other firefighters' self-sacrificing rescue efforts, a family escaped unharmed from a fire that ultimately destroyed their home; in the process of saving the family, Firefighter Daughetee unfortunately fell through the floor and became trapped in the basement of the house; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Daughetee was an active and devout member of the St. John's United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, Shane Daughetee was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Shane Daughetee enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Nicole Brown Daughetee, and is further survived by his parents, Dick and Linda Daughetee, and his grandmother, Charlotte Daughetee; his courageous act honors the memory of the beloved grandparents who preceded him in death, Ralph Daughetee and Robert and Mary Smart; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Daughetee leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being who made the ultimate sacrifice while protecting and serving his community; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Firefighter Shane Michael Daughetee, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character as a firefighter and human being and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Shane Michael Daughetee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.